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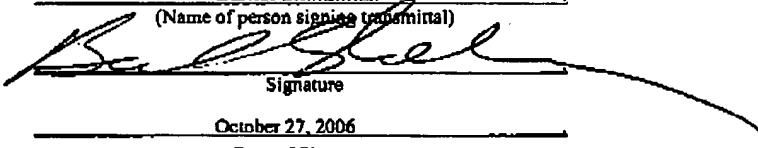
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.121**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed on July 31, 2006, having a  
 three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 31, 2006, please  
 amend the above-identified application as follows.

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**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 3 of this paper, and include a listing  
of claims.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 18 of this paper.

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required.  
 The fee has been calculated as shown below.  
 This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

## Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	52	Minus	** = 52	0	\$50 (25)	0
Independent claims	2	Minus	*** = 3	0	\$200 (100)	0
Total additional fee for this amendment						0

- \* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.  
 \*\* If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.  
 \*\*\* If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

- This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$360(180) has been previously paid , or is paid herewith .
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